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To Whom It May Concern:

I believe the case alleging that Microsoft is a monopoly and is harming consumers is without merit. I don't see any way at all that Microsoft has harmed anyone other than its competitors. Microsoft's competitors seem to be the ones who are complaining most loudly.

In fact, DOJ is ultimately harming consumers by penalizing Microsoft. DOJ's actions undermine the legitimate operation of a free economy by injecting personal politics into the market. This type of action ultimately will lead to cronyism which mars so many other nation's economies and truly does harm consumers.

Microsoft may have hurt its competitors using legal and illegal means. If there is some instance where its actions with regard to a specific competitor is illegal, then let them be punished for that if it can be proved.

Also, if Microsoft has in fact harmed consumers, then why aren't I getting remunerated? You can't have it both ways!

Sincerely,

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